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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1615

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Attorney Docket No.: BDA-0038  
Inventors: Roger S. Cubicciotti  
Serial No.: 09/171,885  
Filing Date: October 28, 1998  
Examiner: T. Ware  
Group Art Unit: 1615  
Title: Prodrug Compositions and Drug Delivery  
Methods Using Synthetic Receptors

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

This is a reply to the Office Action dated November 10, 1999 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

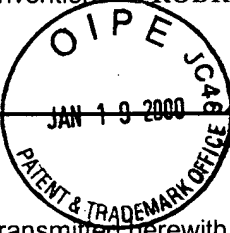
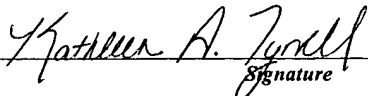
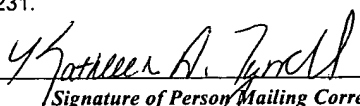
In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 6 and 8-12.

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>			Docket No. <b>BDA-0038</b>		
Applicant(s): <b>Roger S. Cubicciotti</b>					
Serial No. <b>09/171,885</b>	Filing Date <b>October 28, 1998</b>	Examiner <b>T. Ware</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1615</b>		
Invention: <b>PRODRUG COMPOSITIONS AND DRUG DELIVERY METHODS USING SYNTHETIC RECEPTORS</b>					
 <b>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted. <input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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INDEP. CLAIMS	9 -	5 =	4 x	\$39.00	\$156.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$156.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <b>\$156.00</b> to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>12-1086</b> A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
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